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In re Application of:)	Art Unit: 2834
T. TSUBOI et al.)	Examiner: Iraj A. Mohandesi
Appln. No.: 09/871,730)	Washington, D.C.
Filing Date: June 4, 2001)	October 30, 2002
For: SLIDING MEANS WITH BUILT- IN MOVING-MAGNET...)	Confirmation No. 1417

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's action dated July 31, 2002, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

✓ **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 2 and 4 and amend claims 1, 3, 5 and 9-12 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A sliding means with built-in moving-magnet linear motor, comprising a bed of magnetic material, a table of magnetic material arranged movable lengthwise of the bed in a sliding manner with respect to the bed, a field magnet arranged on a surface of the table, which opposes to the bed, the field magnet having unlike poles alternating in polarity in a moving direction of the table, armature windings